

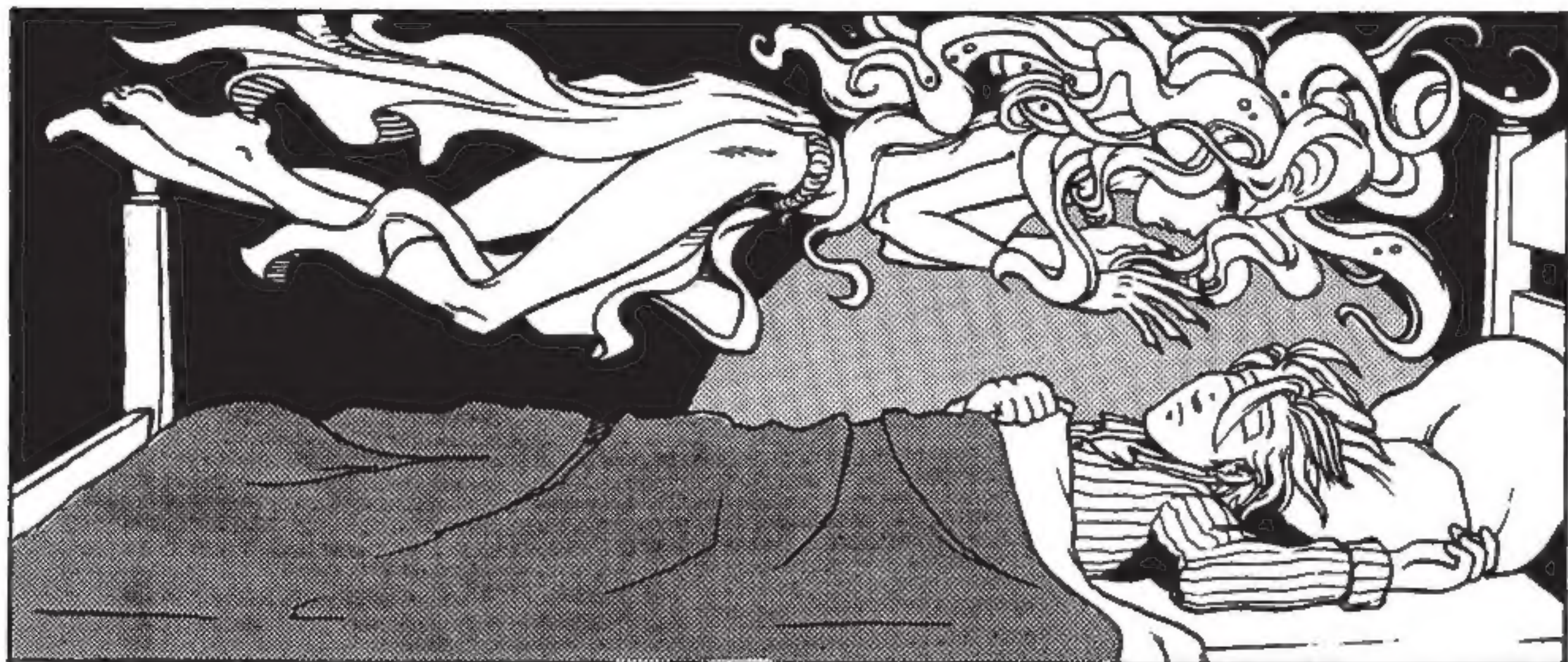
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HERO
TO A
NATION





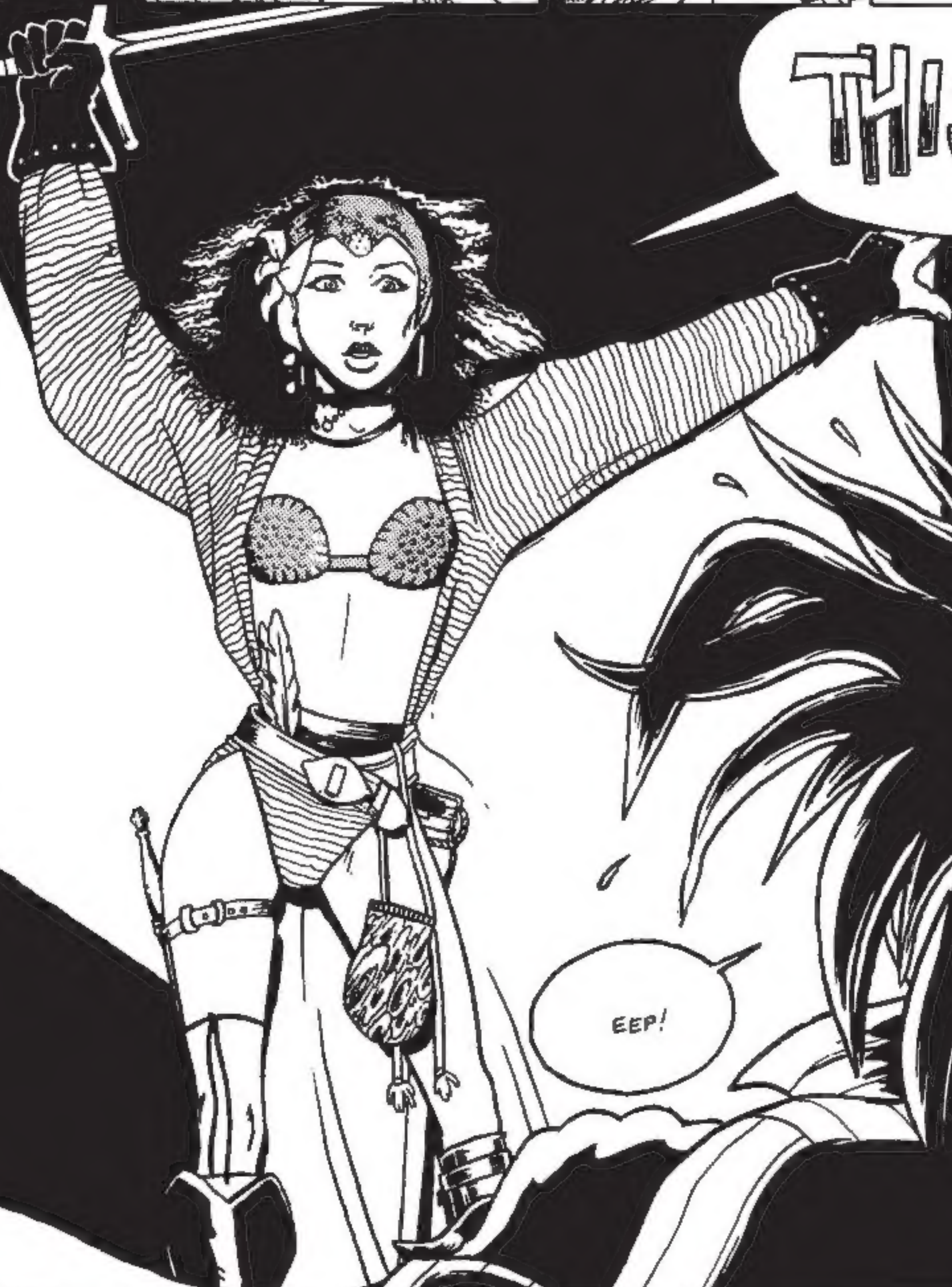


YOU DON'T REMEMBER THOSE LONG,
TORRID NIGHTS OF PHEROMONES
AND YOUNG LUST? THE SWEAT
DRENCHING THE SHEETS? THE
WRITHING IN DANGEROUS PASSIONS?
THE STIFLED MOANS OF
ALL-CONQUERING ECSTASIES?

....NO?



OH, WELL MAYBE
YOU'LL REMEMBER...



THIS!

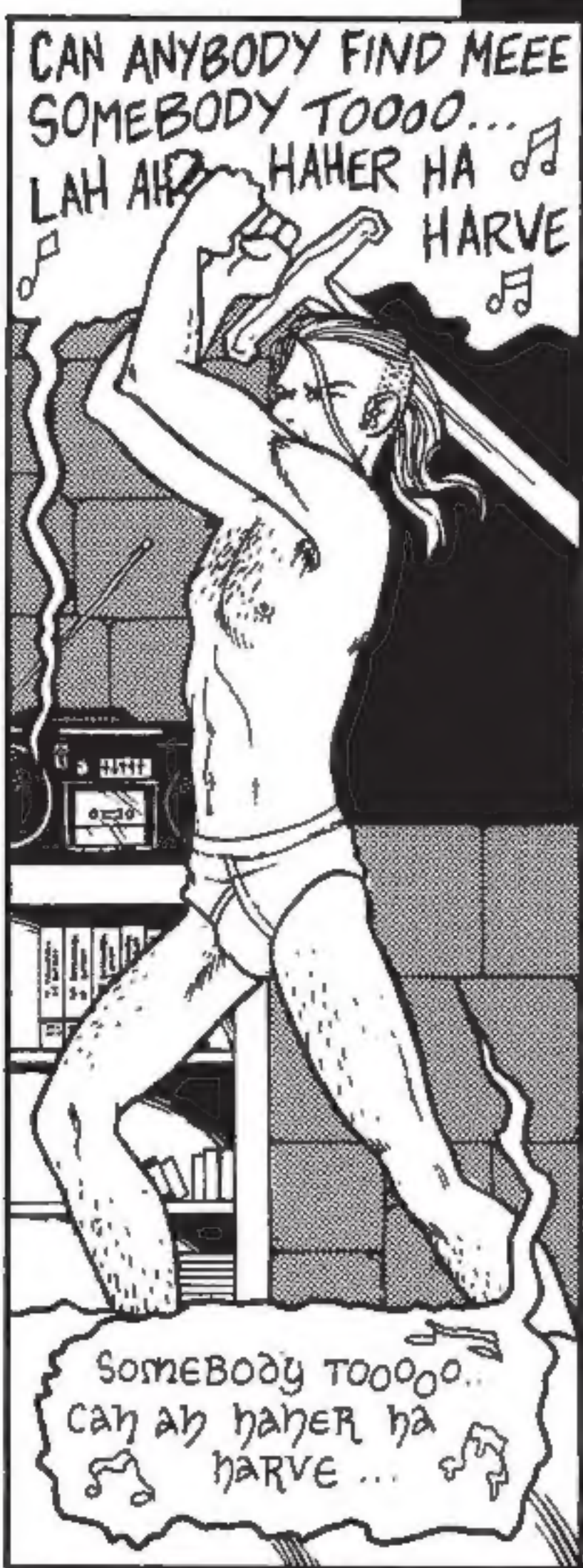
EEP!

"Chapter Headings
For old novels" PART TWO

IN WHICH
JEREMY IS
SARCASTIC
IN A BOAT.



CAN ANYBODY FIND MEEE
SOMEBODY TOOOO...
LAH AH HAHER HA HARVE



SOMEBODY TOOOO...
CAN AH HAHER HA
HARVE ...

PRETTY.
ah deddycayte
huz dayith
TAE YOO.



SLOBBER!



UND DINNAE YE
FERRGAIT UTT!



THAT NAME HAS
BLIGHTED AND
BEDEVILLED ME
FOR ALL MY LIFE.



ME TOO.

HAVE YOU STILL
GOT THAT ROPE
LADDER?

YES?

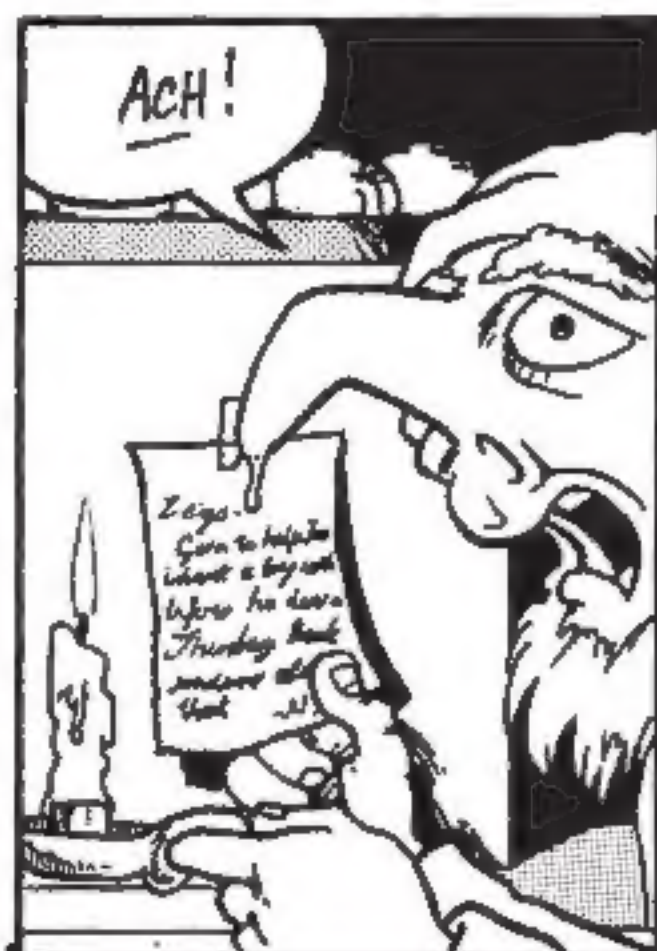
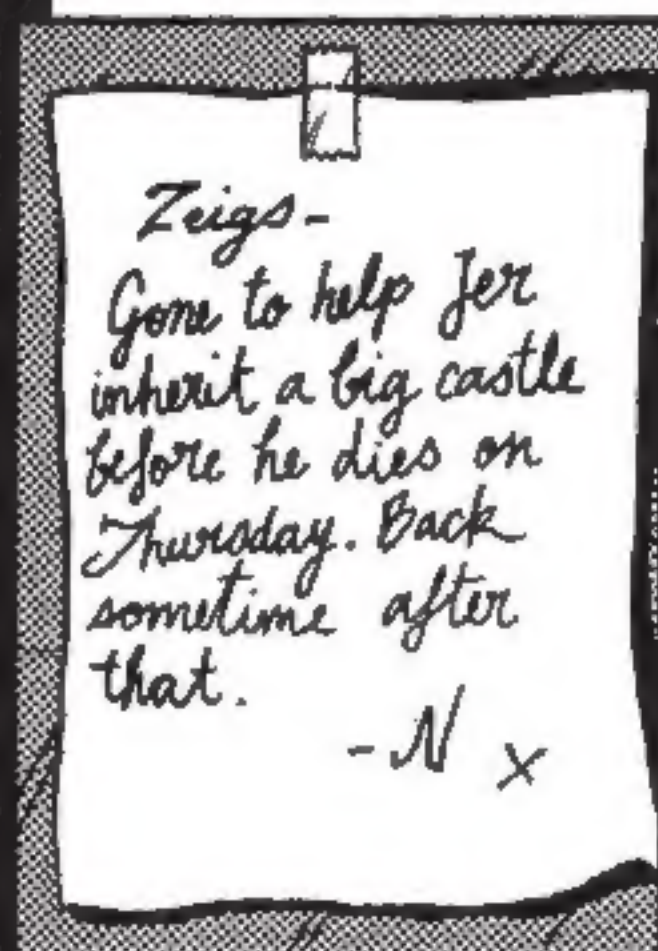
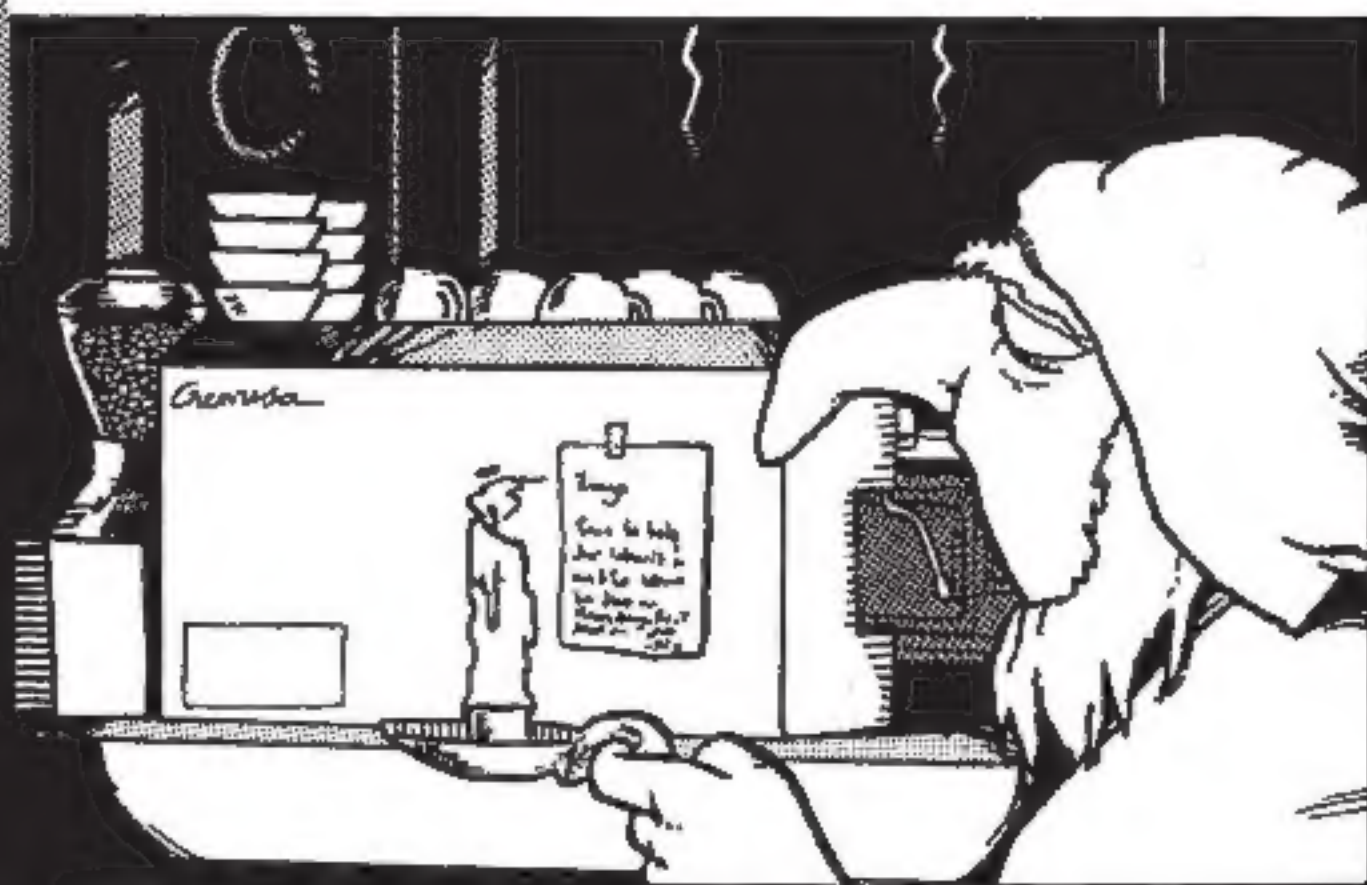


TELL ME THE
WHOLE STORY WHILE
WE CLIMB OUT
THE WINDOW.
OMIT NOTHING.





WELL, IT ALL
BEGAN THIS
MORNING. I WAS
GRINDING COFFEE
WITH ZIEGFRIED-



ACH!



- MIGHT NEVER
SEE HIM AGAIN.

YOU
WILL.

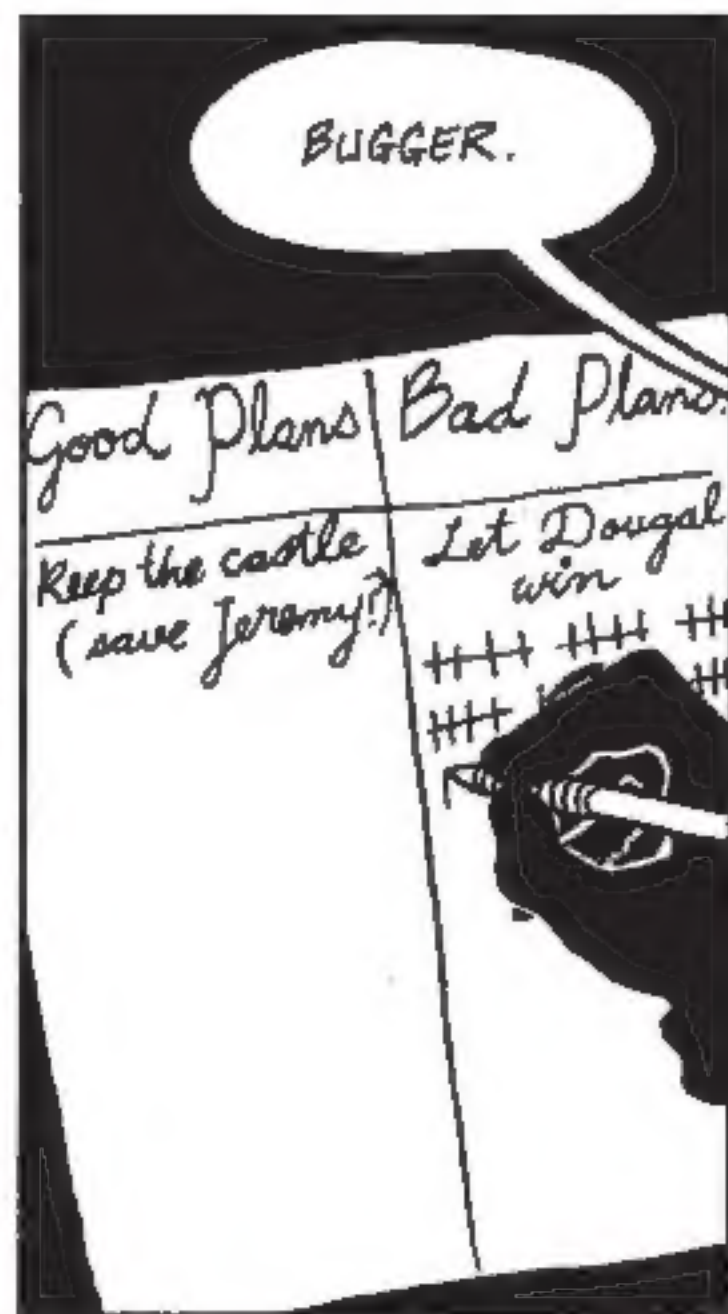


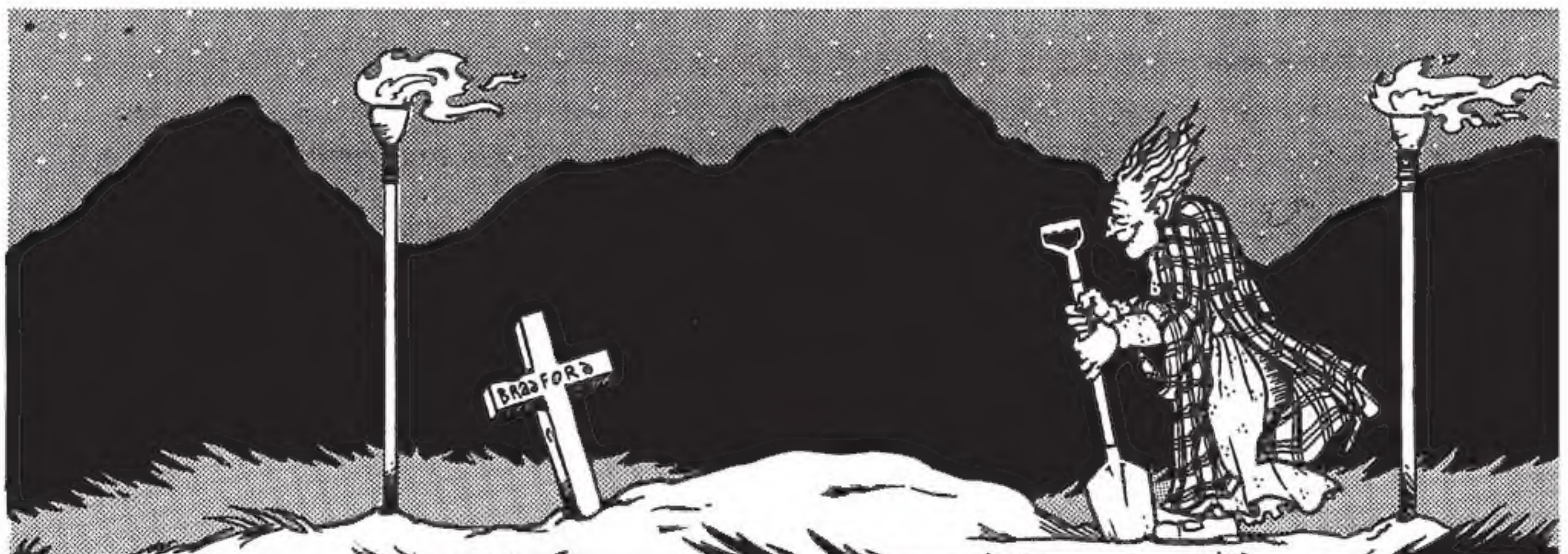
BY THE WAY - WHY
ARE WE CLIMBING
DOWN THE CASTLE
WALL?

BECAUSE IT'S
SAFER THAN
JUMPING. TELL
ME MORE.



AH-RIGHT. THEN
THE MAIL CAME
EARLY - AND FOR
ONCE IT WASN'T
ALL MAIL-ORDER
FOR NILS....





AYE - UZ THEE GOO, YE
WHURRA FANE FUMMALLY
LOY-AIR. SONSIE AN'TROO
TAE TH' LUSST.

S'WORT WUZZET? WORT
DUSS' AIDED YE TAE GEVV
ET OOP? WUZZET HWEE
DOUGAL'S CLAYMORE
BAYFURRCAYT'N YE'R
SPAYNEL CAWLUM?

JAIRSST LIKE
T'UTHURRS. AH
THAWT SOO.

HWAIL? WUZZET?

SO DOUGAL
KILLED BRADFORD
AS HE READ THE WILL?

NO, HE'D PRETTY MUCH
FINISHED. THEN AUNT
LOTTE DECIDED THAT
DOUGAL AND I SHOULD
FIGHT TO THE DEATH
FOR THE CASTLE.

AND THAT'S WHY I'M GOING
TO DIE TOMORROW.
TODAY. LATER.





THAT'S IT,
NOT TOO LOOSE.

WHAT NOW?



PUT YOUR LEGS
OVER THE BOWS
- AND LIE BACK.



THIS IS SOME SORT OF WIERD MORAL
LESSON ABOUT THE BREVITY OF
HUMAN EXISTENCE, ISN'T IT? YOU'RE
GOING TO GO ALL METAPHORICAL
IN A MINUTE.



NO. NOW JUST
RELAX.

I CAN SEE
THE STARS.

EXACTLY.



WHICH ONE'S
AQUARIUS?

YOU'LL SEE -
WE'RE ALMOST
THERE.

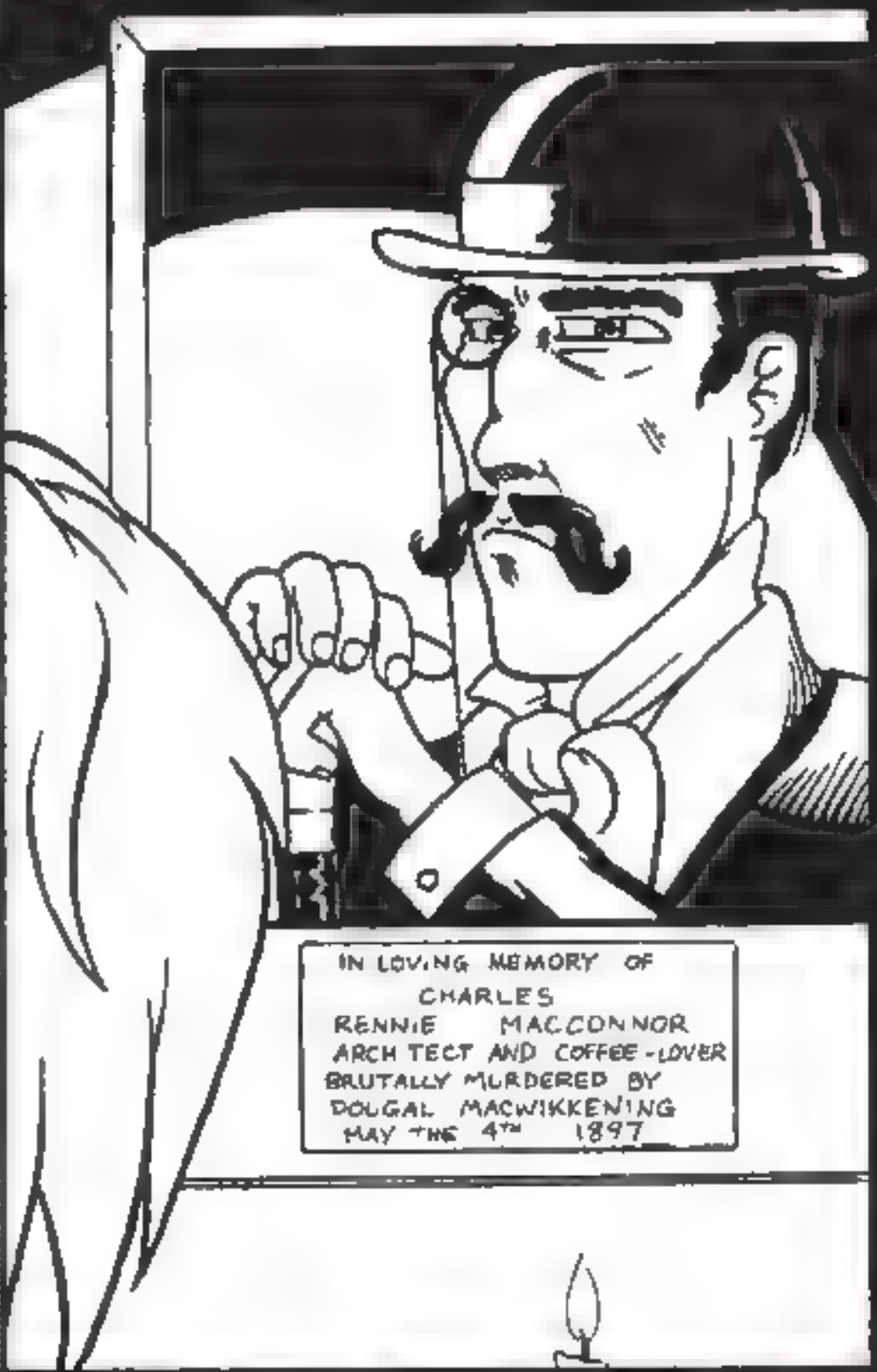
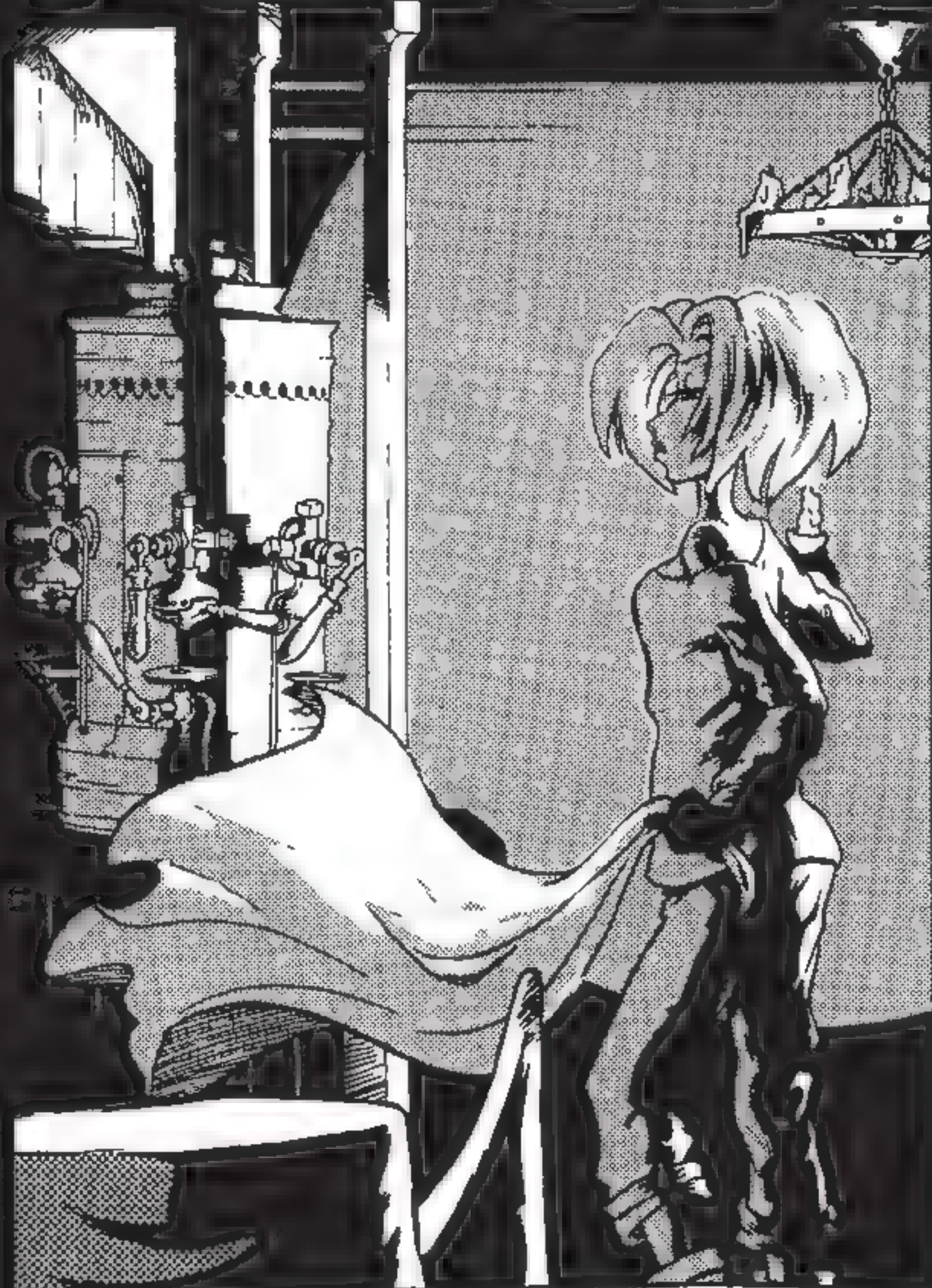
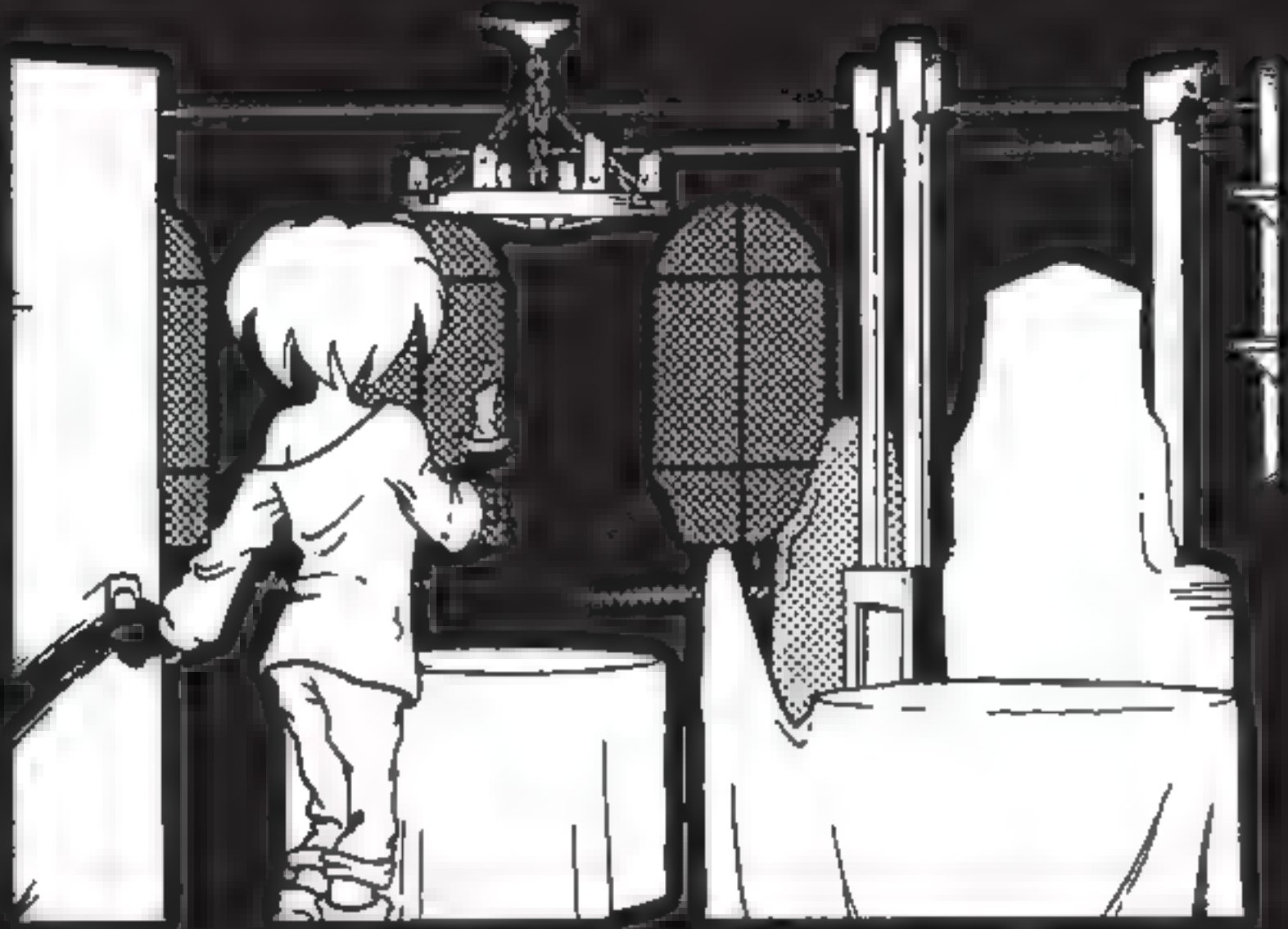


GREAT. "AND HOW DID YOU
SPEND YOUR LAST NIGHT ON
EARTH, JEREMY?" "WELL, I
GOT IN A BOAT WITH A MYTHICAL
SEX-VAMPIRE CREATURE, PUT
ON A PAIR OF STUPID BOOTS
AND WENT STARGAZING."
"AH - BUT DID YOU TAKE A
CHAIR WITH YOU?"
"WELL, YES, ACTUALLY WE -"



WHAT
WAS
THAT!?

WHAT
DID WE
HIT!?





I CAN'T MOVE MY LEGS.

YES YOU CAN. STAND UP.

HOW?



SIDEWAYS. USE THE ROPE.



DON'T LOOK DOWN. OR OUT.

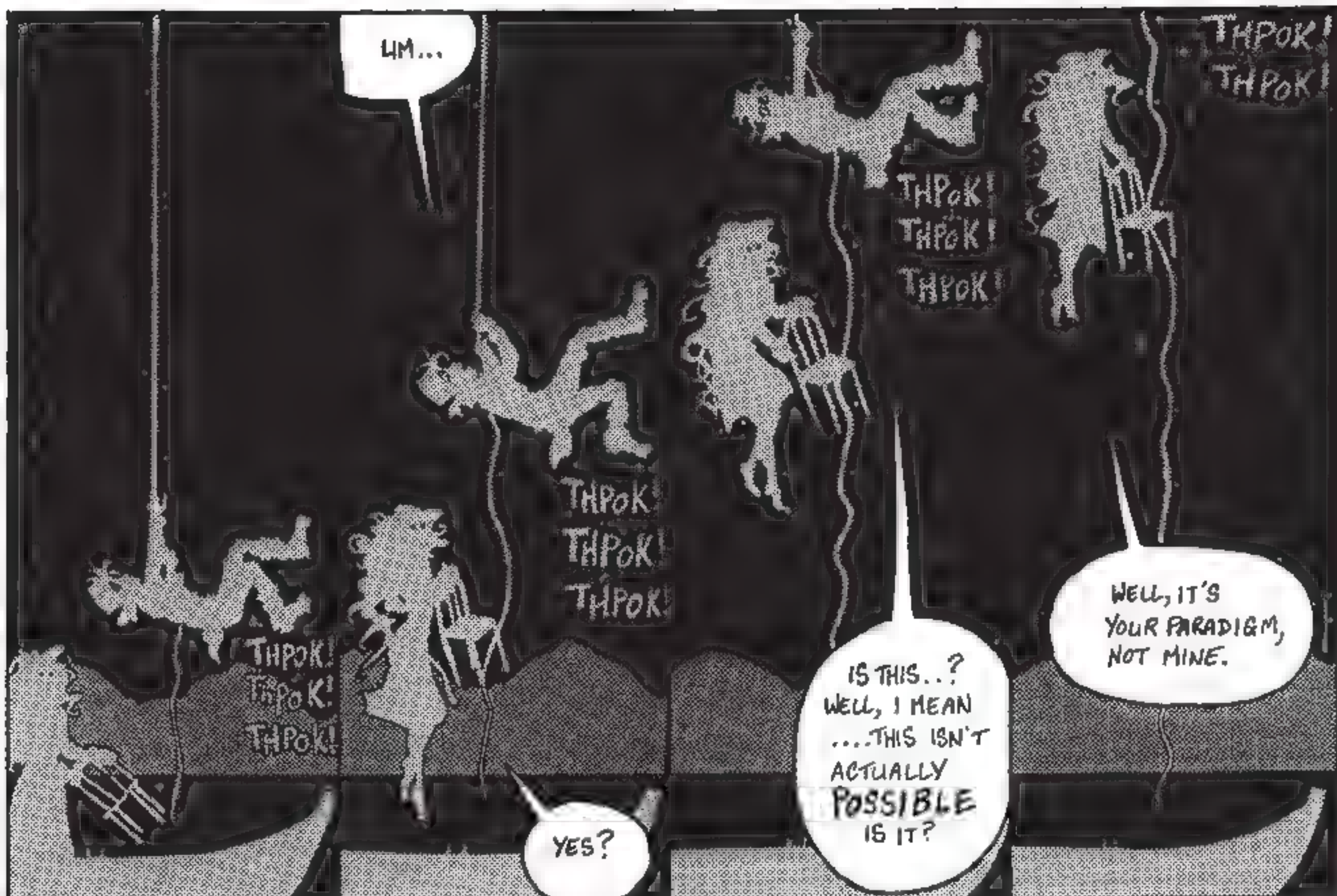
WHAT AM I STANDING ON?

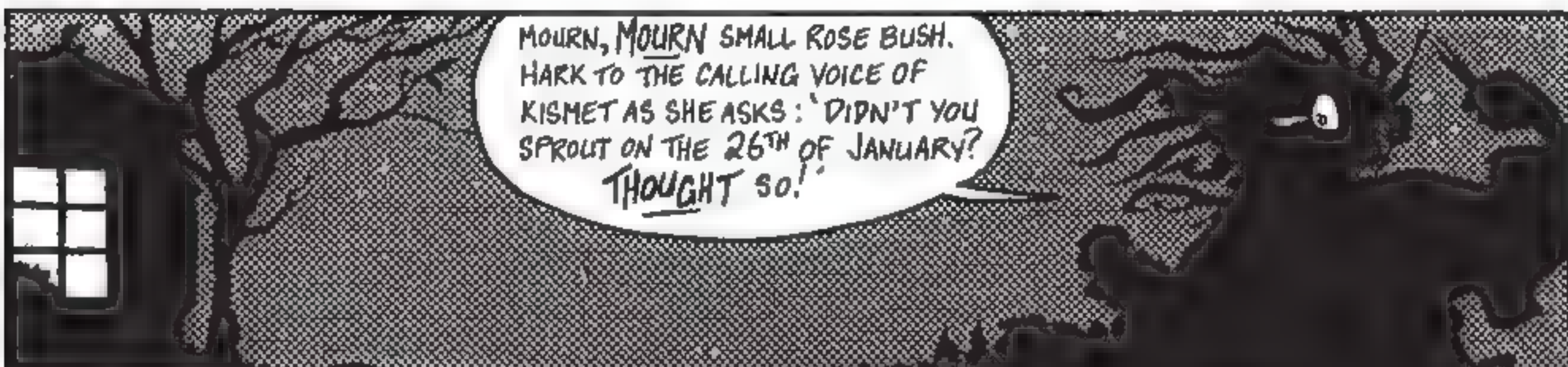
A BIT OF THE SKY.

BUT...



ONE OF THE LOWEST BITS. COME ON! WE HAVE TO ALTER THE COURSE OF DESTINY BEFORE THE TIDE GOES OUT.





MOURN, MOURN SMALL ROSE BUSH.
HARK TO THE CALLING VOICE OF
KISMET AS SHE ASKS: 'DIDN'T YOU
SPROUT ON THE 26TH OF JANUARY?
THOUGHT SO.'



CLIPPED BE, AQUARIAN
FLORA, FOR TODAY
THE DEATH-KNELL
SOUNDS FOR ALLLL
OF YOUR SIGN!



WHICH IS A SHAME,
BUT I'M GETTING
SOME LOVELY
CLIPPINGS AND
AFTER ALL, YOU
CAN'T ARGUE
WITH



.. THE STARS?



THIS WAY.
THROUGH HERE.

I CAN'T
GO IN
THERE!

IT'S A COLLOSSAL BALL OF SUPER-
HEATED PLASMA SPEWING UNTOLD
TRILLIONS OF MEGAWATTS OF BROAD-
SPECTRUM RADIATION AS IT TRANSMUTES
HYDROGEN INTO HEAVIER ELEMENTS!

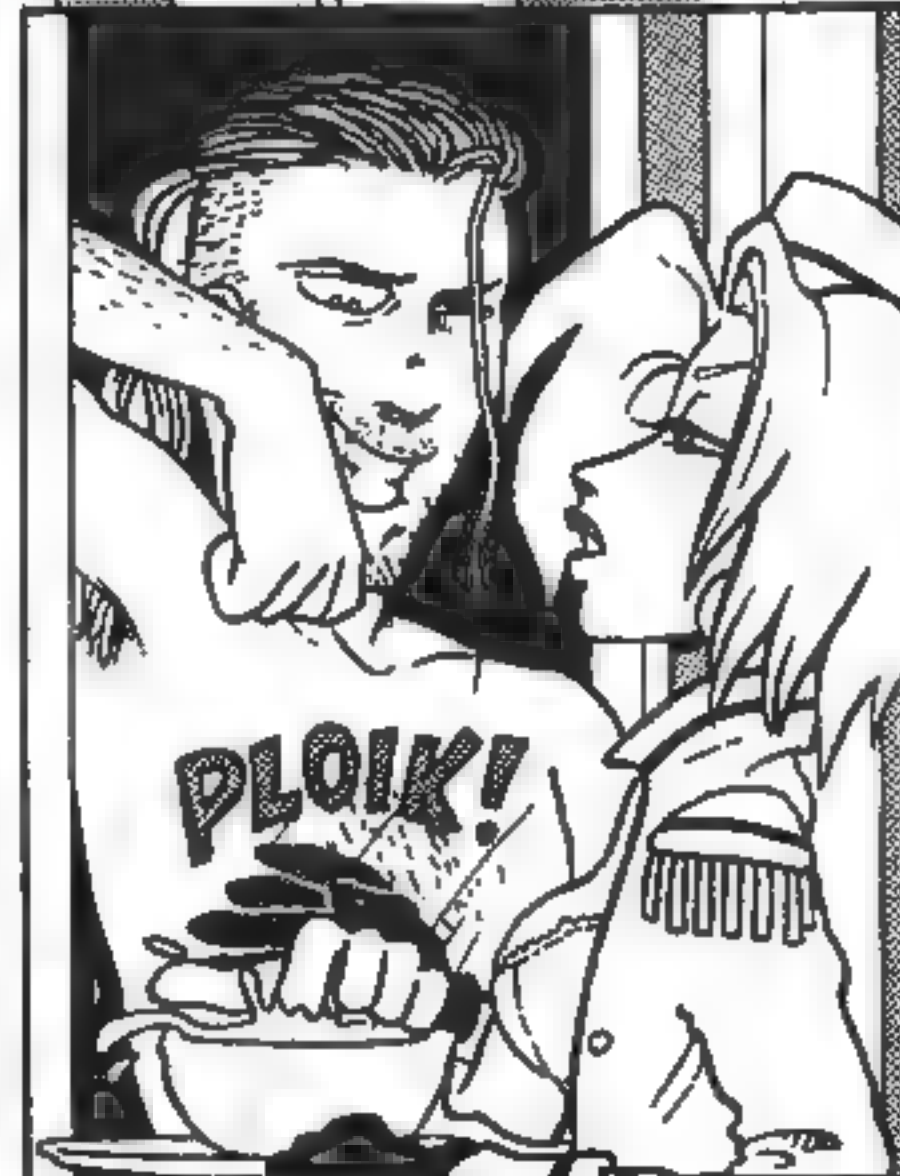
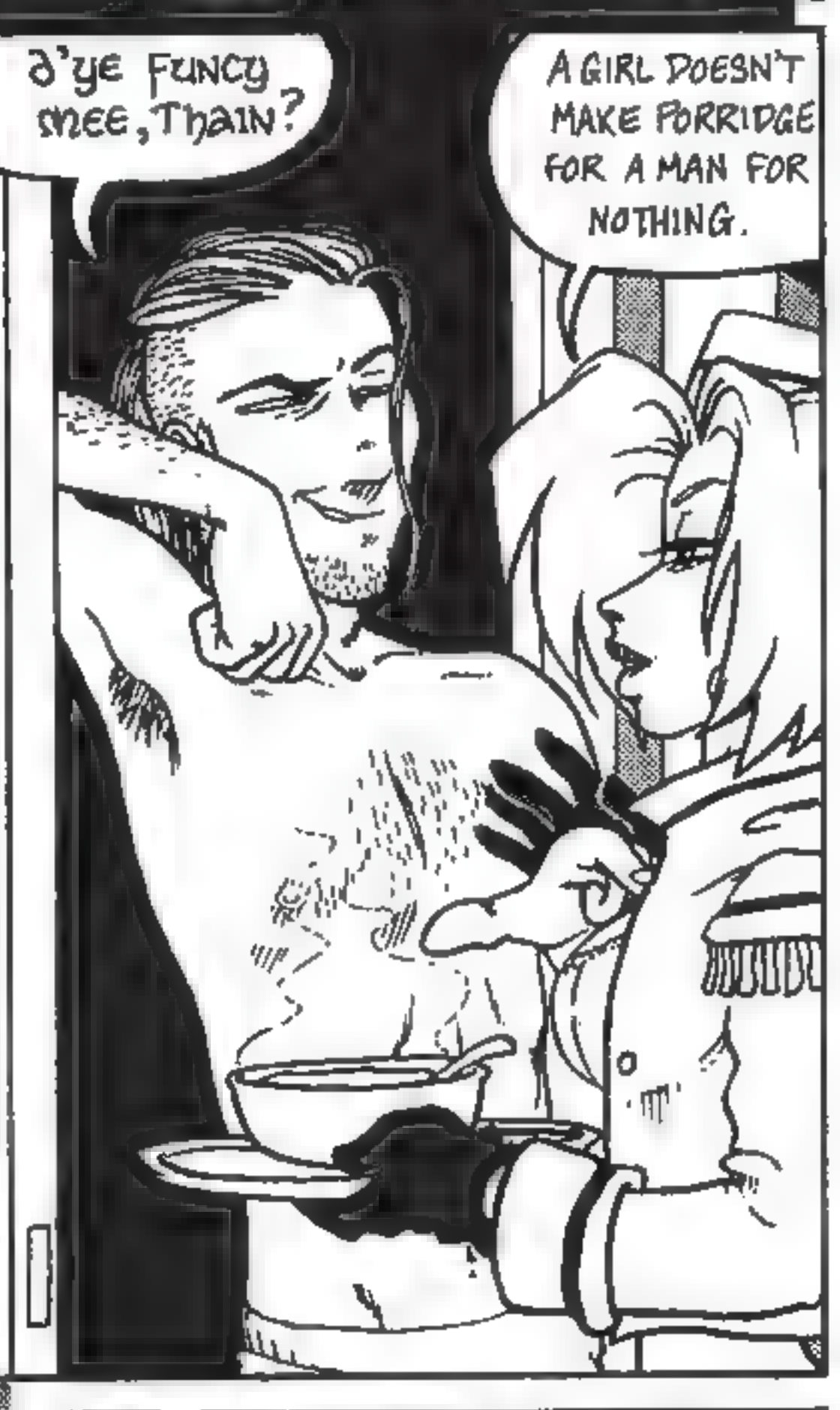


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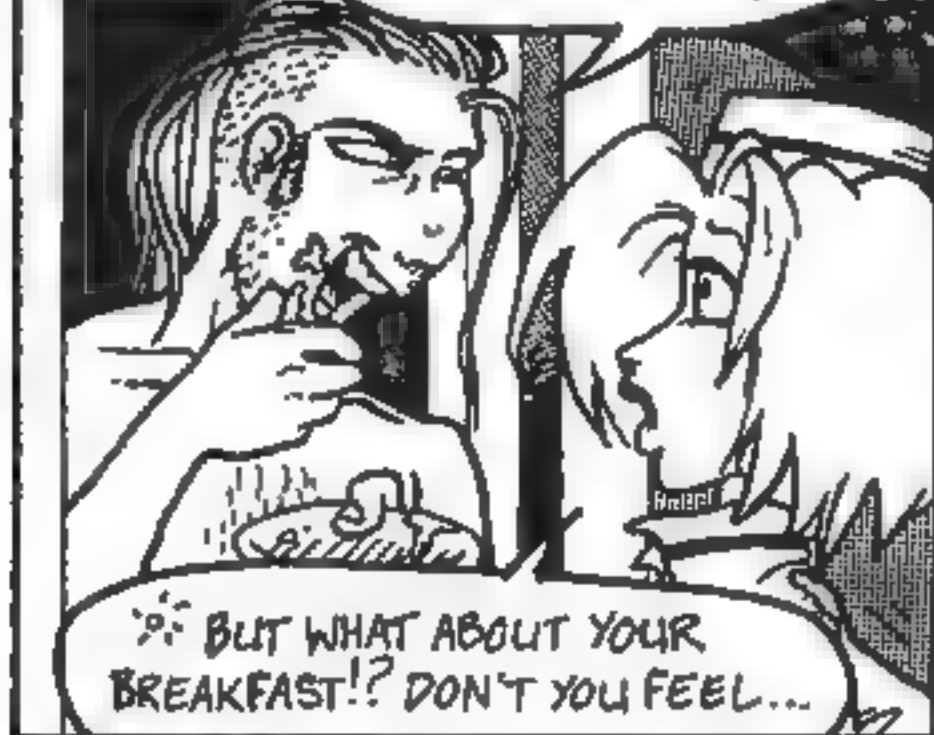
IT
MIGHT
HURT.



COME
ON.



AH'D ASSH YE AIN FERR A BAZUNK,
BOWT AH'N TOOO MAUCH UVVA
TEEASE! WULL HARVET OARF
TAEMOWRPA.



BUT WHAT ABOUT YOUR
BREAKFAST!? DON'T YOU FEEL...



OH, AYE, T'WAS
DAYLUCIOUS.



OKAY....
PLAN B.

"OH" HE SAYS. "YOU'RE
THE DOUGHNUT," HE
SAYS LIKE AS IF NO-ONE'S
EVER SAID IT BEFORE...

HE'S A WANNABE. HE'LL
ALWAYS BE A WANNABE.
IF PEOPLE CAN'T WORK OUT
IF YOU'RE A WARRIOR OR
A SAUCEPAN FOR HEAVEN'S
SAKE..

BIG DAY
TOMORROW, EH?
EH?

YEAH, YEAH.
IT'S NO BIG DEAL.

I ALWAYS THINK
OF MYSELF AS
BENIGN, OF COURSE...



WOO.

OFF YOU GO.

WHAT? WHAT AM I
SUPPOSED TO DO?

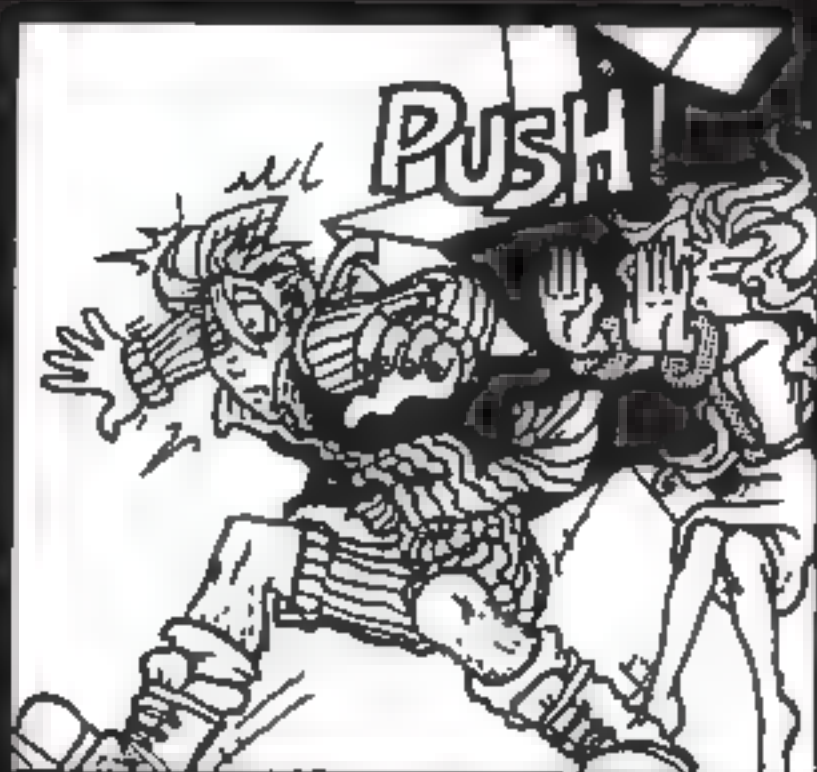
HOW?



DEFY AUGURY! CHALLENGE
FATE! SUBVERT DESTINY!



MIX THEM
UP!





LOOK - WOULD YOU
MIND... OH... OH DEAR...



SORRY - I
- SORRY!



NOW LOOK.
PLEASE DON'T
... OH... WAVE
THAT AROUND
LIKE... OH
DEAR ME.



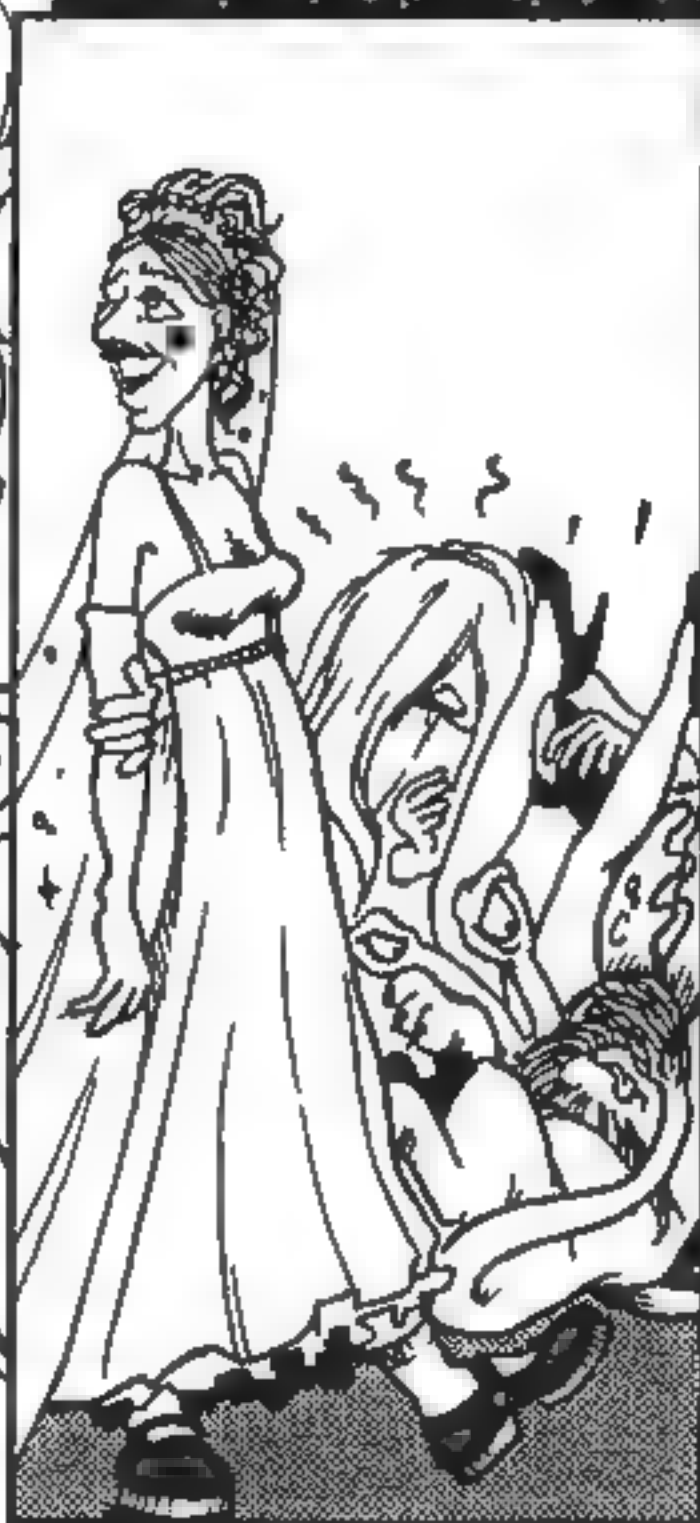
YOU'VE GOT HIM ON
THE RUN!

WHAT?

LOOK, WILL YOU PLEASE PUT THAT THING
DOWN? CAN'T ABIDE BENTWOODS. WHO
ARE YOU ANYWAY?



HAVE YOU
GOT -
WHOAUP!!



YOU TRIPPED ME!

CAREFUL!

DID I? SORREE...

STOP
PUSHING!

HEY HEY
HEY HEY HEY!!
- WHOSE SHOE
IS THIS?

OOOOPS!!

OH, LOVELY!

NOW YOU'VE
DONE IT!







AND A CEMENT MIXER IN THAT CORNER! THAT'S IT!



JEREMY?



NILS! GUESS WHAT!?!
WOW!

IS THIS
YOUR ROOM?

SORRY ABOUT
THE DENT IN
YOUR BALCONY...

THAT'S OKAY. IF YOU'D
SEEN ME NAKED I'D HAVE
HAD TO KILL YOU.



UH-YEAH! BUT LISTEN! GREAT
NEWS! WEIRD STUFF! AN'
EVERYTHING! I'VE DONE IT! I'VE
ALTERED DESTINY! WE-I-
JUMBLED UP THE ZODIAC AN'
NOW NOTHING'S FATED ANYMORE!

ISN'T THAT GREAT!?



SO ALL THE AQUARIANS
AREN'T GOING TO DIE
TOMORROW?



THAT'S
RIGHT!!



JUST
YOU.

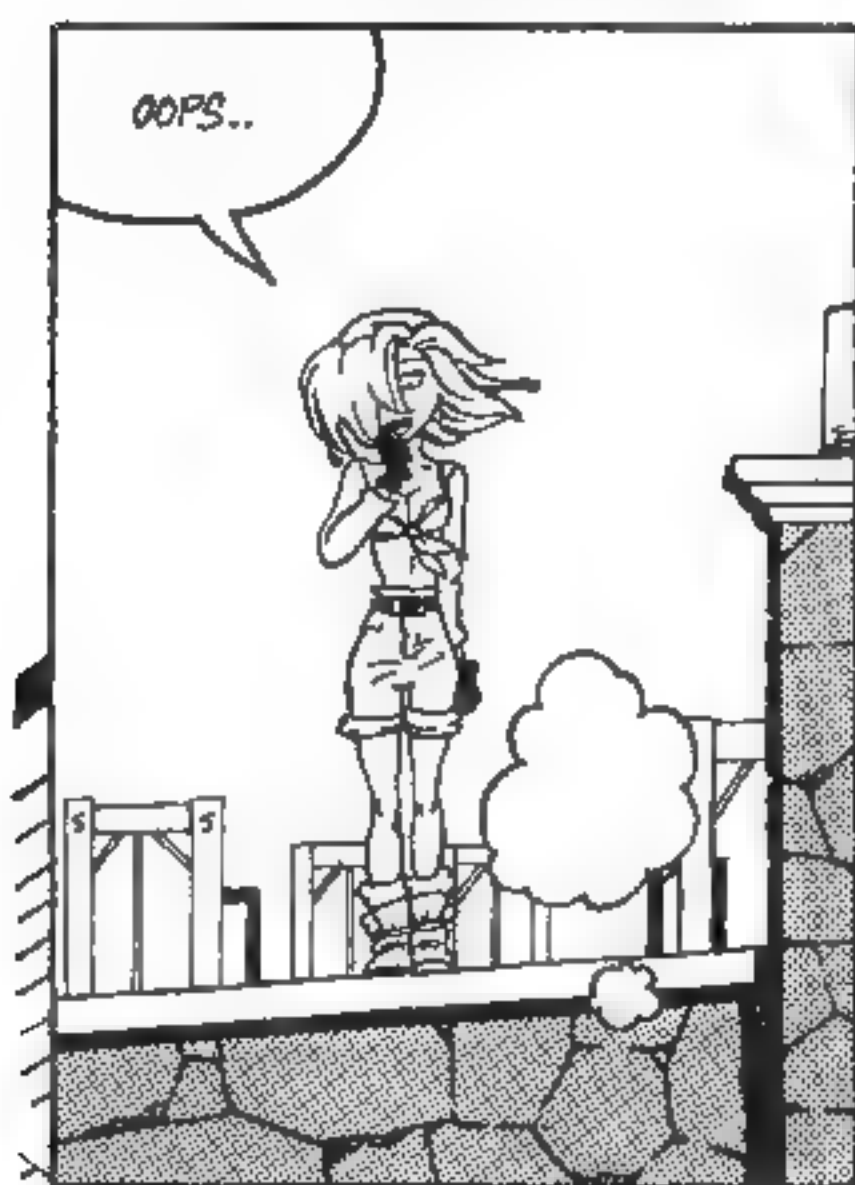


BUGGER
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BUGGER!!!

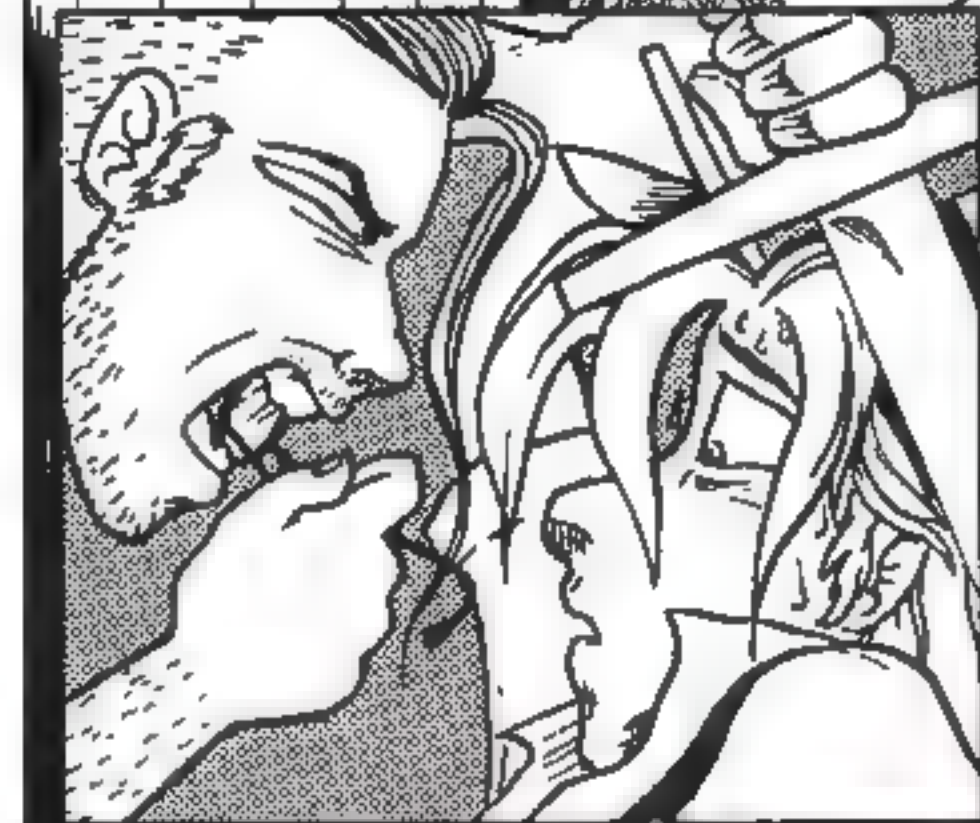
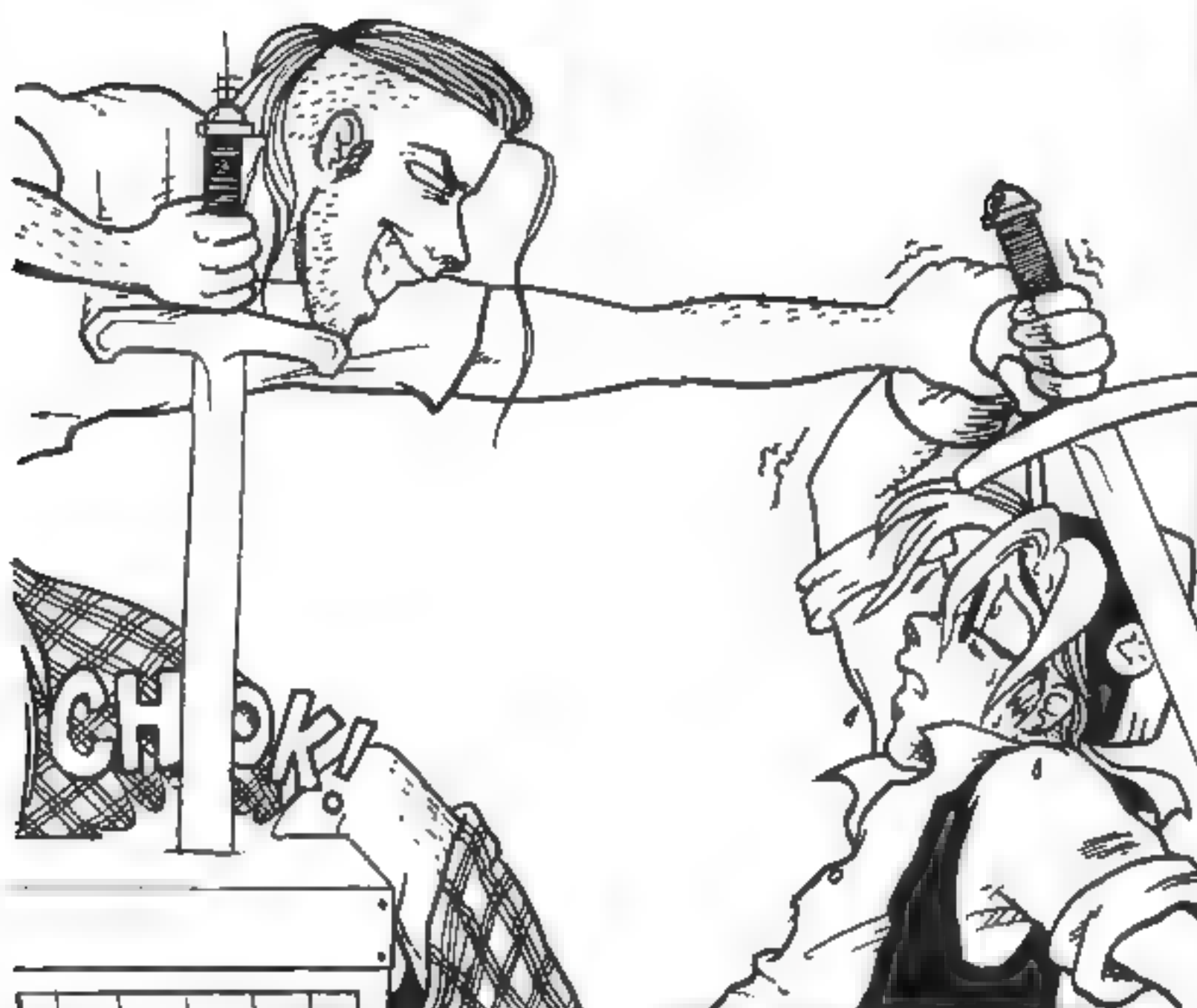
"Z." THAT'S THE
LAST ONE.

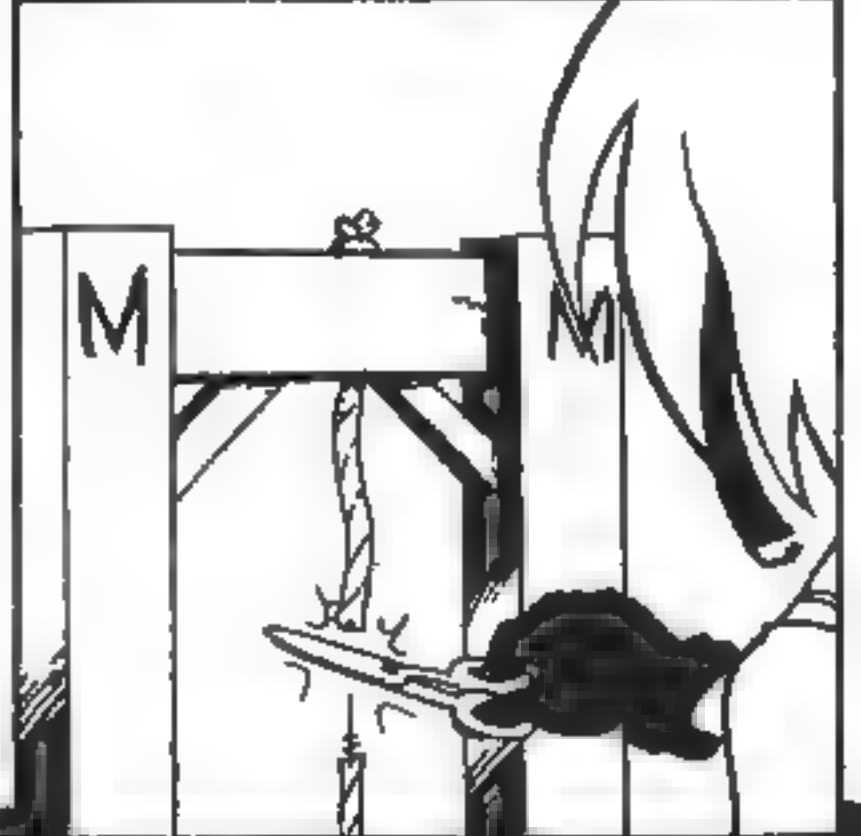
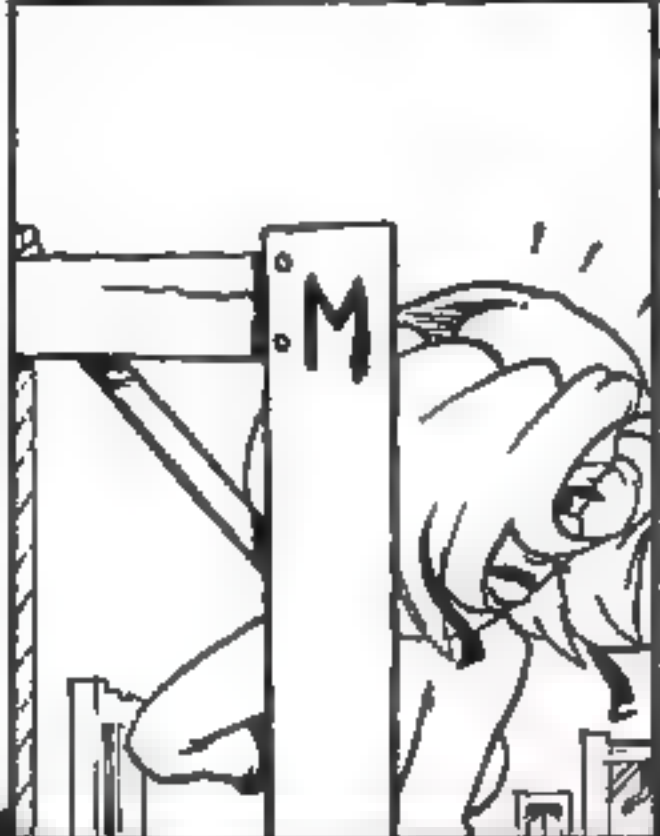
IT'S NOT
VERY HEAVY....

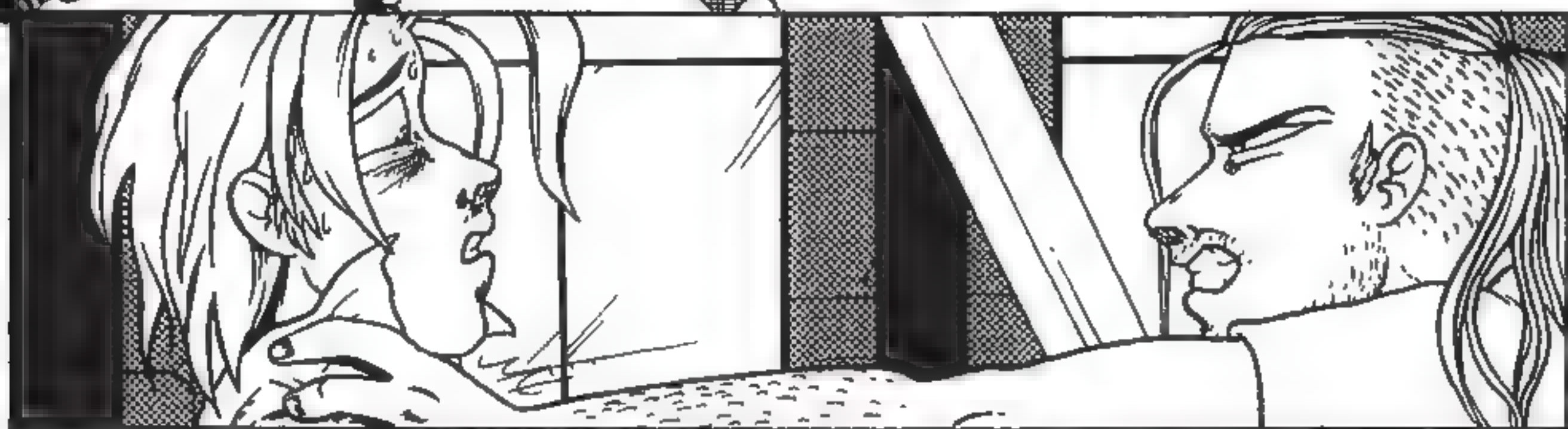




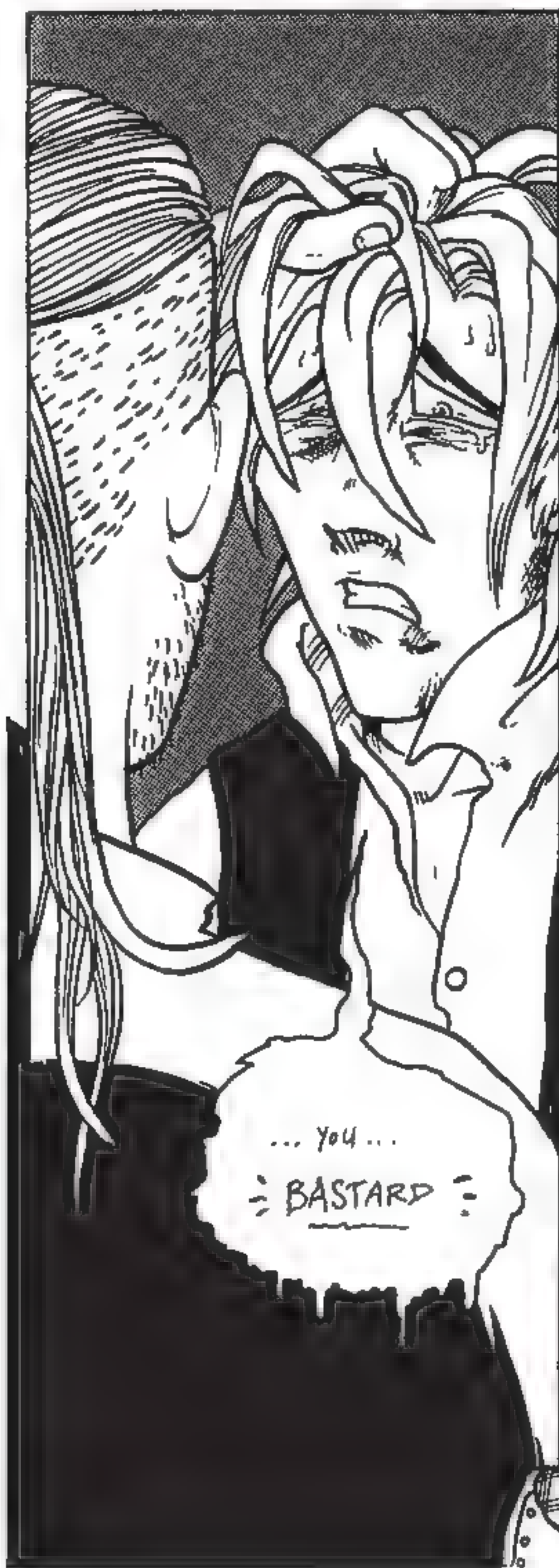












SPUNG!



DANK!



KUNGG



Klu...!







JEREMY? YOU
OKAY?

MMHFF...
FUNNER...



COULDN'T DUNNIT....
...WIZ' OUT YOU.....
BES' FRIEN' INNA WHIRL
FARBER NARRA'X



I KNOW, JER.
HANG IN THERE.



MINE.

